

ACCOUNT Of the Manner, BEHAVIOUR AND EXECUTION

Mary Aubry,

Who was Burnt to Ashes, in

Leicester Fields,

On Friday the 2^d Day of March, 1687. For the Bar-
barous and Inhumane Murder, Committed on the
Body of

Dennis Aubry,

Her Husband, in the Parish of St. Martins in the Fields,
on the 27th of January last.

And the same Day, Daniel Sconley was Executed at Tyburn.

THe late surprizing Murther of *Dennis Aubry*, the person whose Body was found in *Parkes Lane*, his Arms, Legs, &c. in the *Servey House* of Office, and his Head in another, near *Exeter Exchange*; upon strict inquiry, being known to be done, and committed by *Mary Aubry* his Wife, a French Woman; she upon her Examination having confessed the Fact, viz. That she bereaved him of Life, by strangling him with a Cord, &c. and Cut him in Pieces, for the more safe and convenient disposal of him, thereby to prevent discovery, she was there committed to Prison, where not without some Regret, which appeared by her dejected Countenance and Behaviour: She continued till the Sessions, Holden in the City of London and County of Middlesex, &c. Began at the Sessions House in the

the Old Baily, whether being brought, in order to be Tryed for that Barbarous Mur-
ther, her Indictment was Read, wherein she stood charged, for Murthering her said
Husband, by Strangling, &c. on the 27th of January, Anno, 1687. In the Parish of
St. Martins in the Fields; and having Notice at large, of what was contained therein,
by her Interpreter; and being demanded whether she was Guilty or not of the Fact, so
laid in the said Indictment: she pleaded Guilty to the Felony, Murther, and Petty
Treason; yet, the Court was so favourable to tell her, that she might, seeing it was a
Case that rendered her Dead in Law by her pleading Guilty, Retract that Plea, and
her self upon the Country for her Tryal; if she thought it was of convenient; but she
still persisting to plead Guilty, her Confession was Recorded. And in the close of the
Sessions, she was brought to receive Sentence of Death, as in that Case the Law re-
quires, which was accordingly pronounced by the Court, viz. *That she the said Mary
Bridgely, should be carried from thence, to the place from whence she came, and thence be
drawn to the place of Execution, and there to be burnt with Fire till she be Dead.*

Sentence being past, she was reconveyed to the County Goal of Newgate, there to
attend the time of the said Sentence being put in Execution, appearing much afflicted
under the sense of so great a Crime, affecting for the most part retiredness and re-
siding as much as in her lay, the concourse or company of such, especially, whom she
conceived came only out of curiosity to see her, and so continued to increase her self
till in Melancholiness than any thing that was apparent to the contrary, both before
and after she was feasible the Warrant was signed for her Execution.

On Friday the 2d of March, the Day appointed for her being Burnt, &c. about Ten
in the Morning of the said Day, the Sheriffs Officers came to demand her in or-
der to carry her to Leicester Fields, the place where she suffered. When being put on
the Sledg, she was with a Guard of Sheriffs Men, drawn to Leicester Fields, where a
Stake was set up towards the North side of the Square, and the Wood, &c. accord-
ingly prepared to perform the Execution, when about half an hour past Ten, she ar-
rived to the place appointed, appearing very Penitent, often lifting up her Hands and
Eyes to Heaven, seeming to express much sorrow for the Crime that had been the
occasion of this her shameful End, and then prayed to her self; and after that, had
some Discourse or Conference with a certain Person there attending when being taken
out of the Sledg, about half an hour after her arrival she again having Express'd
much Sorrow in her manner of Carriage and Gesture as was Evident to the Specta-
tors, she was set upon a stool prepared for that purpose; and a Rope being fastened
through a Hole of the Post, or Stake, and the Noose of it put over her Neck; the
stool being taken away, she hung there for near the space of a quarter of an Hour,
in which time, the Ravins and Faggots were Piled about her, and at the Expiration
thereof, Fire set to them, which consumed her in about half an hour more to Ashes, &c.

About three hours before this Execution, one Daniel Stanley; who was condemned
the last sessions, for Robbing Anthony Shackliffe a Brewer, of a considerable sum of
Money, was carried to Tyburn, and there Executed.

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